



## About the Advocacy Network

Maine Association of Nonprofits is the strong unifying voice for the sector, assuring that nonprofits continue to work for Maine, stimulating the economy, building community, and weaving strong social fabric. Your \$500 dues to MANP's Advocacy Network support our efforts in Augusta and at the federal level to elevate understanding of the essential role nonprofits play and to advance policy that helps nonprofits thrive.

**During times of uncertainty and change, when there is momentum behind efforts to undermine the sector at the state and federal level, advocacy is even more important.**

Members of the Network receive:

- ▶ **Information:** In-depth legislative updates, calls to action, ears and eyes on the ground in Augusta on behalf of the NP sector;
- ▶ **Pulse on Washington, D.C.:** Through our connections at the National Council of Nonprofits and our own lobbyist, we are kept abreast of the **threats and opportunities at the federal level** and we will keep you informed of what's happening and **when to engage**;
- ▶ **Experience:** Access to our **contacts and relationships**. MANP has been advocating in Augusta for over ten years and our lobbyist has over twenty years of experience advocating for a Maine nonprofit;
- ▶ **Assurance** that **bigger picture items** (tax + budget) relative to the sector are protected;
- ▶ **Efficiency:** We **save YOU time** by ensuring nonprofit representation in Augusta, and **support YOUR own mission advocacy** by providing you with the information and guidance you need to be effective;
- ▶ **Networking:** Annual **forums and monthly video conferences on advocacy and public policy**, exclusive to Advocacy Network Members.

Not only does Advocacy Network Membership include the above referenced benefits of having a more effective MANP presence in Augusta and effective advocacy for the sector, MANP will proudly add your name to the current list of Advocacy Network members.

**Together, we will amplify the message that our sector is a primary driver of what makes Maine a great place to live and work.**